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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Kerry Charles Broad

**Application No.:** 10/656,644

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**For:** COLLAPSIBLE HANDRAIL  
MECHANISM

**Group:** 3679

**Examiner:** Garcia, Ernesto

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**REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Sir:

This Reply and RCE are being filed in response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2005, along with a petition for a 3 month time extension resetting the deadline for Reply to March 13, 2006 (March 12, 2006 being a Sunday). Please amend the claims as follows.